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## WYANDOTTE COUNTY "KANSAS MISSION OF MERCY"



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People in need of dental care lined up at the Kansas Speedway in Wyandotte County to get free dental treatment from volunteers on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 22-24, 2003. More than 200 volunteer dentists, 125 hygienists and 179 dental assistants and thousands of other volunteers donated their services at the free clinic.

Using assembly line techniques, the 60-chair



clinic treated between 150 and 200 patients an hour. Kansas Mission of Mercy (KMOM)

is all volunteer. Contributions were used to buy equipment and supplies.

This was the second three-day clinic offered by Kansas Mission of Mercy. The first was in Garden City on February 28 through March 2, 2003. Kansas Dental Association Executive Director Kevin

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Robertson said many of the 1,100 people treated Saturday hadn't seen a dentist for years and many had been in pain for a long time. In addition to performing extractions, dentists and hygienists at KMOM's clinic were cleaning teeth and filling cavities. There were no income requirements for those seeking dental care.

Kansas Dental Association hopes to offer the event twice a year in different regions of Kansas. Tentative plans have been made to be in southeast Kansas in April. On Friday of the dental clinic 1,019 patients received \$237,000 worth of free dental care, on Saturday 1,034 patients received \$309,000 and approximately 500 patients on Sunday received an estimated \$125,000 worth of free dental care.

## MARCH OF DIMES SURVEY

### Shows Majority of Childbearing Aged Women Not Taking Folic Acid



Results from the latest March of Dimes survey, "Folic Acid and the Prevention of Birth defects" are now

available. According to the survey, only 32% of women in the US between the ages of 18 and 45 take a multivitamin containing folic acid on a daily basis, an increase of only 4% since 1995. The survey also found that one-third of women polled who have seen television ads about folic acid believe that the ads are intended for a different group of women, such as women who are trying to get pregnant or women of a different age group. The results show that there has been an increase in folic acid awareness among women of childbearing age from 52% in 1995 to 79% in 2003. According to the survey, 33% of women would be more likely to consume a daily multivitamin containing folic acid if recommended by a doctor. The Gallup Organization conducted this survey for the March of Dimes under a grant from the CDC. Copies of the survey, item #31-1784-03, can be obtained by calling 1-800-367-6630.

## INFLUENZA VACCINE FOR HIGH-RISK CHILDREN

### Who are VFC Eligible

The Kansas Immunization Program has ordered a limited supply of influenza vaccine to be made available to VFC Providers for use in vaccinating those children that meet the ACIP guidelines.



*Bee Wise - Immunize*

The guidelines can be found in the MMWR2003/52(RR08) and MMWR2003/52(33) and are outlined below:

Vaccination is recommended for the following groups of persons who are at increased risk for complications from influenza:

- Adults and children who have chronic disorders of the pulmonary or cardiovascular systems, including asthma.

- Adults and children who have required regular medical follow-up or hospitalization during the preceding year because of chronic metabolic diseases (including diabetes mellitus), renal dysfunction, hemoglobinopathies, or immunosuppression (including immunosuppression caused by medications or by human immunodeficiency [HIV] virus).
- Children and adolescents (aged 6 months--18 years) who are receiving long-term aspirin therapy and, therefore, might be at risk for developing Reye syndrome after influenza infection.

The CDC allotment for influenza vaccine is not sufficient to immunize children who are not considered high risk. The quantity of vaccine purchased by Kansas, while more than the quantity ordered last year, may not be enough to meet ordering demands by providers. Orders received beginning October 1 will be filled based on provider profiles and the quantity of vaccine available.

Orders for the influenza vaccine for high-risk VFC children will be accepted after October 1. Orders for the influenza vaccine prior to the October 1 date will not be honored. Orders will be filled until the supply of vaccine is depleted. This vaccine is only available on a seasonal basis. Please place this order using the Vaccine Order Form and track the influenza vaccine usage on the Monthly Immunization Report.

If you have any questions, please contact the Kansas Immunization Program at (785) 296-5591.

## Public Health Personnel Update

**Christine Cederberg, RN** - North Central District Office Medical Investigator, final day was September 11. Christine is now working for the Central Regional BT Group as the Regional BT coordinator working with Pawnee, Rice, Barton, McPherson, Stafford and Saline counties.



Debbie Whitmer & Christine

**Cheryl Kottke, LMSW** - has resigned as administrator of the Finney County Health Department, as of September 8<sup>th</sup>. Cheryl will be relocating to Lawton, OK. She has accepted a position with the Veterans Association at Ft. Sill/Lawton as the Social Services Director in a long term and acute care facility.

**Rita Bonetti, ARNP** - has resigned as administrator of the Harper County Health Department.

**Pam Frederick** - is the interim administrator as of September 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Harper County Health Department.

### REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH MEETINGS

**Northeast:** Next meeting December 11, 2003, at the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson, Azure Conference 4th Floor, Topeka, from 10am-3pm.

**North Central:** Next meeting is scheduled from 9:30am-3pm on December 9, 2003 at Jewel County. Please RSVP Marcia for a lunch count [rchdhha@nckcn.com](mailto:rchdhha@nckcn.com).

**Northwest:** Next meeting is December 11, 2003, from 10am-3pm at the Colonial Steak House, I70 and Highway 83 in Oakley. Please RSVP to Georgetta for a lunch count at 785-672-4502 or email at [lqcohdgeorgetta@colbyweb.com](mailto:lqcohdgeorgetta@colbyweb.com).

**Southwest:** Meeting is scheduled for November 21, 2003, from 9am-3pm at the Garden City Library in Garden City.

**Central KS:** Next meeting is October 1, 2003, from 10am-3pm at the Reno County Health Department in Hutchinson.

**South Central Coalition:** Please contact Jon Anderson for next meeting date and location at 620-431-2390 or email him at [janderso@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:janderso@kdhe.state.ks.us).

**Southeast:** Please contact Jon Anderson for next meeting date and location at 620-431-2390 or email him at [janderso@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:janderso@kdhe.state.ks.us).

### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Prenatal Brochure Available in Several Languages

A prenatal brochure is now available from the State Family Planning Administrators through a grant to the Center for Health Training in Seattle and the Washington State Department of Health. The brochure addresses topics such as timing in pregnancy, issues to discuss with a doctor when considering pregnancy, and other



important pre-pregnancy issues. It is available in English, Spanish, Ukrainian, Somali, Russian, Korean, Chinese, and Vietnamese. To download the brochure, go to:

<http://www.swedishmedical.org/PregnancyForesight/Home.html>

#### Bright Futures Announces New Website

### American Academy of Pediatrics

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The American Academy of Pediatrics announces the availability of a new Bright Futures web site, available at <http://brightfutures.aap.org>. Bright Futures, initiated by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) is a philosophy and approach that is dedicated to the principle that every child deserves to be healthy, and that optimal health involves a trusting relationship between the health professional, the child, the family, and the community. As part of this initiative, "Bright Futures: Guidelines for Health Supervision of Infants, Children, and Adolescents" was developed to provide comprehensive health supervision guidelines, including recommendations on immunizations, routine health screenings, and anticipatory guidance. The Bright Futures web site provides information according to three specific areas: Health Care Professionals, Public Health Care Professionals, and Families and communities. It includes components such as: Bright Futures in Practice, which allows you to find out how Bright Futures is being implemented in your particular state, newsletters, related literature, continuing education, presentations and marketing, and other tools and resources.



#### CDC Explores Health Disparities Facing American Indians and Alaskan Natives



The CDC recently highlighted the health of American Natives and Alaskan Natives in an issue of its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR). This issue provided insight into many of the health disparities experienced by American Natives and Alaska Natives in the U.S. Additionally a news conference to discuss the issue of health disparities facing American Indians and Alaska Natives was held focusing on diabetes prevalence



and deaths from injuries. To view this issue of CDC's MMWR, please visit:

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr//PDF/wk/mm5230.pdf>

and for more information on health disparities facing American Indians and Alaskan Natives, please visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/od/oc/media/>.

The audio web cast of the news conference is also available at:

<http://www.videonewswire.com/VWP/Launch.asp?sid=25263&aid=26122&from=web>

### **Excess Body Weight Is Linked To Increased Risk Of Cancer Death**

*RN Journal, July 2003*



## **The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE**

A major 16-year study completed by Eugenia E. Calle, Ph.D., Carmen Rodriguez, M.D., M.P.H., Kimberly Walker-Thurmond, B.A., and Michael J. Thun, M.D. in the New England Journal of Medicine confirms existing evidence that people who are overweight or obese have an increased risk of death from many types of cancer. This suggests that excess weight might be responsible for thousand of cancer deaths each year in the United States. Researchers looked at the body mass index (BMI) and cancer death rates of more than 900,000 patients who were an average age of 57 and cancer-free when the study began. They categorized subjects as normal weight (BMI 18.5-24.9), overweight (BMI 25-29.9), or obese (BMI >30). They also analyzed subjects' rate of death from numerous common cancers, including those of the esophagus, colon, rectum, liver, gallbladder, pancreas, lung, kidney, stomach, and prostate (for men) or breast, uterus, cervix, and ovary (for women). They found that as subjects' BMI increased, so did their risk of death from most types of cancer (there was no association between excess weight and cancer of the brain, skin, or bladder). Researchers estimate that being overweight or obese could account for as many as 14% of all deaths from cancer among men and 20% of those among women, which translates to more than 90,000 deaths from cancer per year.

### **Heart Disease, Cancer, and Trauma Injury Top the List of the 15 Most Costly Medical Conditions in the United States**

The most expensive medical condition in the United States in 1997 was heart disease, which was associated with \$58 billion in expenditures, followed

by cancer (\$46 billion), and trauma-related injuries (\$44 billion). Heart disease accounted for about 10 percent of total expenditures in 1997; cancer and trauma accounted for 8 percent each. However, pulmonary conditions affected the largest number of people (41 million), followed by trauma (37 million), and hypertension (27 million). These are the findings of a study by Joel W. Cohen, Ph.D., and Nancy A. Krauss, M.P. H., of the Center for



Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Health care Research and Quality.

In response to an Institute of Medicine request for AHRQ to examine a set of priority conditions, the researchers used 1997 data from the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) to identify the 15 most expensive medical conditions. The MEPS provides estimates of health care use, spending, sources of payment, and insurance coverage for the U.S. civilian noninstitutionalized population. The researchers examined both direct health care costs for the conditions and the total costs for all medical care incurred by people with these conditions.



They found that, in general, higher mean expenditures were associated with the extent to which spending was related to inpatient hospitalization. For example, inpatient care accounted for about two-thirds of expenditures for cerebrovascular disease and cancer - the top two conditions in terms of mean expenditures - but only about one-quarter of expenditures were for infectious diseases and skin disorders, the least expensive conditions in the set. On the other hand, more than half of average spending for kidney disease (which had the third highest mean expenditures) was for outpatient care, most likely related to dialysis. Most people with at least one of the top 15 conditions had other medical problems. Per capita spending increased as much as 8 - to 11-fold for people with three or more medical conditions versus only one.

More details are in "Spending and service use among people with the fifteen most costly medical conditions, 1997," by Dr. Cohen and Ms. Krauss, in the March 2003 *Health Affairs* 22(2), pp. 129-138. Reprints (AHRQ Publication No. 03-R029) are available from AHRQ.



## NIHCM Releases Childhood Obesity Report for Health Care Professionals



The National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation has released an issue paper entitled "Childhood Obesity - Advancing Effective Prevention and Treatment: An Overview for Health

Professionals." This report, geared towards health care professionals, provides an overview of prevalence and trends, health and economic impact, and current treatment and prevention options. The report also includes a list of resources highlighting numerous health care, school, community initiatives for further guidance. This report is available at: <http://www.nihcm.org/ChildObesityOverview.pdf>

## New High Blood Pressure Clinical Guidelines Include a "PREHYPERTENSION" Category

*RN News Watch - RN Journal, July 2003*



The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute's new guidelines for managing high blood pressure (BP) establish a new classification called prehypertension that includes millions of patients whose BP levels were previously considered to be normal or borderline. Under the new guidelines, prehypertension includes levels of 120-139/80-89. The new normal classification is now <120/<80. Stage 1 hypertension is still defined as a BP level of 140-159/90-99, and Stage 2 and Stage 3 hypertension have been combined into a single classification. This combined classification, Stage 2, is defined as >160/>100. The new guidelines recommend that prehypertensive patients make lifestyle modifications to prevent cardiovascular disease, including losing weight if overweight, increasing physical activity, moderating alcohol consumption, and adopting the Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) diet.

## CONFERENCES

### National Symposium on Childhood Deafness



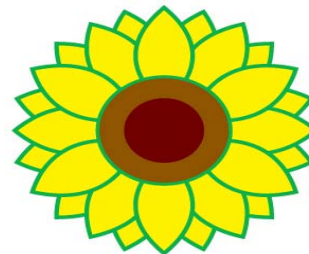
"The Roads to Literacy for Deaf Children, Utilizing Collaboration and

Partnership" will be held October 19-22, 2003, at the Sheraton Hotel and Convention Center in Sioux Falls, SD. For more information contact Melody Tsai, NSCD, at email address [mtsai@c-s-d.org](mailto:mtsai@c-s-d.org) or on the web

<http://www.c-s-d.org/default.asp?ID=339&Display=Content&Color=5>

### CATCH & MHN Conference

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) will offer for the first time a joint Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) and Medical Home National Conference July 15-17, 2004 in Chicago, Illinois.



Participants will learn about practical strategies to foster medical homes and improve access to health care; asset-

based community development; assessing quality improvement; screening and surveillance; coalition building and successful models of care from community-based initiatives around the world. A pre-conference workshop will be offered on July 15, 2004 on "social capital" - the processes between people which establish networks, norms and social trust, and facilitate coordination and cooperation for mutual benefit and improved health.

Pediatricians, residents, health care professionals, state and federal public health employees, child advocates, other professionals and family representatives dedicated to working with children, including those with special health care needs, are invited to attend.



To best educate conference participants on community-based pediatrics with high quality information representing diverse points of view, a request for proposals (RFP) is now available on-line for session submissions. The RFP is available for download at

<http://www.aap.org/catch/nationalconfRFP.html>.

The deadline for proposals is September 15, 2003.

Registration material and announcement of sessions and speakers will be available in late 2003. For more information visit:

[www.aap.org/catch/nationalconf.html](http://www.aap.org/catch/nationalconf.html) or contact Jill Ackermann at 847-434-4917 or e-mail: [jackermann@aap.org](mailto:jackermann@aap.org).

The AAP believes that all children, particularly children with special needs, should have a medical

home where health care services are accessible, family-centered, continuous, comprehensive, coordinated, compassionate and culturally effective.

## GRANTS OPPORTUNITIES

### Regional BT Grant Workshop

Hospitals in Kansas learned at a Regional BT Grant Workshop in Quinter, that they will soon be able to apply for 2003 Health Resource and Services Administration funds for the upgrade of hospital preparedness for a possible biological, chemical or radiological terrorism incident. Noncompetitive grants for individual hospitals will be for \$25,000. There are also funds available to upgrade hospital laboratories to sentinel laboratories in preparation for a possible biological terrorism incident. Ten competitive grants of no more than \$10,000 can be given to laboratories to upgrade to sentinel laboratories. It is important that hospitals understand and take advantage of these available funds.



Chris Tilton, Interim Director of the Office of Local & Rural Health at Workshop on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

### HRSA Grants Preview for FY 2004 Available Online

The Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) Grant Preview for Opportunities in fiscal year 2004 is now available on the HRSA web site. It contains a review of HRSA fiscal year 2004 competitive grant offerings and includes instructions on how to contact HRSA for information and receive application kits for all programs. It includes grant information for primary care, rural health, HIV/AIDS, maternal and child health profession training. The Preview is available at <http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/preview>.



## TRAINING

### Medical Interpreter Training Scheduled for Fall



Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Office of Local and Rural Health, will sponsor six medical interpreter-training sessions this coming year. Funding has been provided for these training sessions through the Heartland Centers for Public Health Workforce Development, Saint Louis University, School of Public Health, and the KDHE/CDC Bioterrorism Grant Training Fund. The training sessions are listed below:

#### SE KANSAS

Pittsburg Municipal Auditorium  
503 N. Pine  
Pittsburg, KS  
October 16, 17, 22, 23 & 24 from 8:00am-5:00pm

#### NE KANSAS

Lawrence Memorial Hospital  
325 Maine, Room "D"  
Lawrence, KS 66044  
November 5, 6, 7, 13 & 14 from 8:00am-5:00pm

#### NC KANSAS

Catholic Charities  
425 W. Iron, Board Room  
Salina, KS  
December 8, 9, 15, 16 & 17 from 8:00am-5:00pm

#### NW KANSAS

Fort Hays State University  
Memorial Union, Trails Room  
College Drive  
Hays, KS 67601  
March 22-26, 2004 from 8:00am-5:00pm

#### SC KANSAS

University of Kansas School of Medicine - Wichita  
1010 N. Kansas, Santa Fe Room  
Wichita, KS 67214  
July 15-16 & 21-23, 2004 from 8:00am-5:00pm

#### SW KANSAS

Western Plains Medical Complex  
Classroom located at the Annex Building (across from the hospital)  
108 Ross Blvd.  
Dodge City, KS 67801  
May 10-14, 2004 from 8:00am-5:00pm

For more information/or registration please contact Elizabeth Kizzie at Jewish Vocational Service, 1608 Baltimore, Kansas City, MO 64108 or call 816-471-2808 ext. 142, e-mail address [ekizzie@jvskc.org](mailto:ekizzie@jvskc.org).



## Fluoride Varnish Training

KDHE Bureau for Children, Youth & Families and AHEC are sponsoring the Fluoride Varnish Training on October 3rd from 9am-12pm at one of the following locations:

Garden City – 1501 Fulton Terrace, Suite 1

Hays – 217 E. 32<sup>nd</sup>

Pittsburg – 1102 E. Centennial

Topeka – 900 SW Jackson, Room 855

Wichita – 1010 N. Kansas, Room 1310

Registration deadline September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Qualified health professionals will learn oral health risk assessment methods, anticipatory guidance, and early intervention techniques including fluoride varnish application. Information will be given concerning the infectious and transmissible nature of the bacteria that causes Early Childhood Caries. There will be discussion relating to fluoride varnishes' ability to retard the decay process. Participants will be confident in their ability to adequately screen and refer oral abnormalities. Contact Mary Beth Warren at (620) 235-4040 or email at [mwarren@mail.pittstate.edu](mailto:mwarren@mail.pittstate.edu).



## Healthy Start Home Visitor



### Regional Training 2003

The planned educational topics for this regional HSHV training session will focus on asthma (prevention) and the how to fill out public assistance forms. There is no charge associated with the meetings, however, in the interests of networking with one another, we would like to dine out together at a local restaurant whenever possible.

**October 7<sup>th</sup>** 9:00am - noon at the Hays Medical Center-Center for Health Improvement, 2500 Canterbury Drive, Hays, 785-625-3257 - Northwestern Kansas – Cheyenne, Rawlins, Decatur, Norton, Phillips, Sherman, Thomas,

Sheridan, Graham, Rooks, Wallace, Logan, Gove, Trego, Ellis, Russell, Ness, Rush.

**October 29<sup>th</sup>** 9:00am - noon at the Dodge City Library, 1001 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Dodge City, 620-225-1933 - Southwestern Kansas - Greeley, Wichita, Scott, Lane, Hamilton, Kearny, Finney, Hodgeman, Ford, Gray, Haskell, Grant, Stanton, Morton, Stevens, Seward, Meade, Clark.

**November 17<sup>th</sup>** 1:00pm – 4:00pm at the Reno County Courthouse, Basement Meeting Room, 206 W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Hutchinson 620-694-2900 - South-Central Kansas - Barton, Rice, McPherson, Marion, Butler, Harvey, Reno, Stafford, Pawnee, Edwards, Kiowa, Pratt, Kingman, Sedgwick, Cowley, Sumner, Harper, Barber, Comanche.

**December 4<sup>th</sup>** 9:00am – noon at the Dickinson County Health Department, 1001 N. Brady, Abilene 785-263-4179 - North-Central Kansas - Smith, Jewell, Republic, Osborne, Mitchell, Cloud, Clay, Lincoln, Ottawa, Ellsworth, Saline, Dickinson.

**December 16<sup>th</sup>** 9:00am – noon at the Crawford County Mental Health Building, Board Room, 3101 N. Michigan, Pittsburg 620-231-5411 - Southeast Kansas – Greenwood, Woodson, Allen, Bourbon, Crawford, Neosho, Wilson, Elk, Chautauqua, Montgomery, Labette, Cherokee.

**December 18<sup>th</sup>** 9:00am – noon at the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department 200 Maine, Suite B, Section AB, Lawrence 785-843-3060 - Northeast Kansas – Doniphan, Brown, Nemaha, Marshall, Washington, Riley, Pottawatomie, Jackson, Atchison, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Wyandotte, Johnson, Douglas, Shawnee, Wabaunsee, Geary, Morris, Lyon, Chase, Osage, Franklin, Miami, Linn, Anderson, Coffey.

Please contact Christine Tuck, RN, Child Health Consultant, Bureau of Children, Youth and Families for KDHE if you have any questions or concerns at 785-296-7433 or email

[ctuck@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:ctuck@kdhe.state.ks.us)

## Oktoberfest: An Exercise in Terror!



Regional hospital plans have been developed that identify critical resources and coordination protocols during a medical response to a terrorism event. This workshop will allow participants the opportunity to review this plan and demonstrate how other local response plans will be integrated across the region.

- Oct 6-7, 2003 Salina Holiday Inn Holidome
- Oct 8-9, 2003 Topeka Maner Conference Center
- Oct 13-14, 2003 Hays Golden Ox Pavillion

- Oct 15-16, 2003 Garden City Plaza Inn
- Oct 27-28, 2003 Wichita Holiday Inn Select
- Oct 29-30, 2003 Parsons Municipal Auditorium

Recruiting teams to represent your county: *(team membership not to exceed 8 members. Counties with more than one hospital will be allowed two teams)* Recommended team membership include:

- (3) Hospital representatives
- (2) Public Health officials
- (1) Emergency Medical Services representative
- (1) Emergency Management official
- (1) Law Enforcement official

*An exercise workshop designed to further define a regional response for managing a major health emergency.*

For more information contact:

Kansas Department of Health & Environment

Susan Morris [samorris@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:samorris@kdhe.state.ks.us)

Terri Ploger-McCool [tplogerm@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:tplogerm@kdhe.state.ks.us)

Conducted in conjunction with the Office of Domestic Preparedness. Registration information will be distributed to potential participants in a separate mailing.



**Northwest Regional Billing Group**

### Billing Clerks Invited

There will be an organizational meeting of the North West Regional Billing Group on November 5, 2003, from 9AM to 12 Noon. It will be located at Stockton, Kansas at the City Hall (115 S. Walnut). Park in the parking lot across the street (beside the post office) and go in the side door of City Hall and you will be in the meeting room. Refreshments and drinks will be provided.

We will be discussing how you would like this group to be set up to help you and what type of speakers you would like to hear in the future.

Come and help us make this a valuable resource for you and your peers. See you there.

\*\*\*Please RSVP Debbie Whitmer at [dwhitmer@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:dwhitmer@kdhe.state.ks.us) if you will be attending. Please include: your county and how many persons will be attending. We want to make sure we have enough refreshments and chairs.



## GENERAL WORKSHOPS

Continuing Education of interest to PH Workforce is listed by the Kansas State Board of Nursing at: <http://www.ksbn.org>.



Look for the AHEC

trainings at: <http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us> then go to "Additional PH Training Calendar"

NW KS AHEC - Register at: 785-628-6128.

SW KS AHEC - Register at: 620-275-0259

SE KS AHEC - Register at: 620-235-4040

### Kansas Division of Emergency Management:

<http://www.accesskansas.org/kdem/trainingnew.htm>



### Public Health Training Network Satellite Downlinks/Webcasts

See PHTN website at [www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn](http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn) to view a complete list and register for training and programs. Call Linda Frazier, Distance Learning Coordinator at (785) 625-5663 if you need assistance.

### To Order Tapes/CD's:

### Public Health Foundation Online Bookstore:

<http://bookstore.phf.org/cat20.htm>

### CDC BT programs:

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/training/index.asp>

### Nursing Education

**Ft. Hays Nursing:** <http://www.fhsu.edu/nursing>

**KU Nursing:** KU has an on-line RN to BSN completion program:

[http://www2.kumc.edu/son/vclassroom/rn\\_to\\_bsn.htm](http://www2.kumc.edu/son/vclassroom/rn_to_bsn.htm)

### Washburn PHN Certification Program- e-mail

Dr. Janice Dunwell at: [zzdnwl@washburn.edu](mailto:zzdnwl@washburn.edu)

**ANA's web site:** <http://www.RNCE.org>

### Other Continuing Education Online

**The WALD CENTER:** <http://www.waldcenter.org>

### The Public Health Training Network:

<http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn/default.asp>



**KDHE/KALHD Training Calendars:**  
<http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us>. Click on the calendar you wish to view.

**Training Finder:** Comprehensive database of distance learning course listings  
<http://www.trainingfinder.org>.

**The MMWR Continuing Education Program:**  
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr>

**MPH Kansas:** <http://mph.kumc.edu>.

**National Library of Medicine –**  
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov>.

**CDC BT Training –**  
<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/training/index.asp>

**The Illinois Public Health Preparedness Center:** <http://www.uic.edu/sph/prepare>

**Heartland Center for Public Health Preparedness:** <http://slu.edu/centers/heartland>

**Centers for Public Health Preparedness:**  
<http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/owpp/CPHPLocations.asp>

**Public Health Training Centers:**  
<http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/publichealth/phtc.htm>

**Other Public Health Workforce Development Centers:**  
<http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/owpp/resources.asp>

#### **Public Health Workforce Competencies**

**Bioterrorism and Emergency Readiness Competencies for all Public Health Workers:**  
<http://www.nursing.hs.columbia.edu/institute-centers/chphsr/btcomps.html>

**Competencies Feedback Project by the Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice.**  
<http://www.trainingfinder.org/competencies/index.htm>

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